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State Dental College

Due to hit the legislative hopper next January is a measure which would need some good legislation. A proposal to establish a four-year, state-supported dental school in conjunction with the medical school at Chapel Hill. It is going to need good legislation. The reasons: (1) The urgent need for more dentists in North Carolina hasn't yet enjoyed the high-pressure publicity which sold the medical care program to the people two years ago and (2) it will cost between one and two million dollars to build the school and operate it the first year. (Afterward, of course, the annual operation will be much less than that, some \$150,000.)

Recently the members of the Second District of the N. C. Dental Society, meeting in Charlotte, endorsed the proposal, and simultaneously urged the General Assembly to revise some of its laws to permit trained dental hygienists to perform some of the more simple dental operations, thus freeing dentists to handle more patients. Perhaps the most significant fact about dental colleges is that all the impetus has come from within the profession, significant because some professions seem to prefer to limit their membership and thus to demand high fees from North Carolina dentists, who feel that the need for more dental service is extremely acute, and that the number of practitioners must be rapidly increased.

There are about 4,000 dentists in North Carolina per capita among the states of the nation. There was some slight improvement in this standing between 1940 and 1948 because of the speed-up program of dental schools and the graduation of dentists. Even so, while the 1947 population per dentist in the U. S. is 1,870, the population per dentist in North Carolina is 4,354.

Every dentist in North Carolina there are 1,376 children under 14 years of age.

2nd Ward-West Charlotte Grid Classic

Wholesome recreation through a well-developed public school athletic program has come to be recognized as an important phase of our educational system in this city.

It is in this reason that The News became most interested last year in promoting the annual football contest between West Charlotte High and Second Ward High, the City's two high schools for Negroes.

The News found that the athletic programs of these schools were practically nonexistent because of a lack of finances. There was little or no money for equipment and for the other expenses necessary to the development of a full-rounded program.

Through the efforts of public-spirited citizens of both races last year's classic was a success, netting \$1,800 which was shared equally by the two high schools.

On November 6 the teams do battle again. Intermediate white and Negro, contributing their time and effort to help making this year's event an even greater success than that of 1947.

News From The Solar System

While Messrs Dewey and Truman, in the words of one newsmen, "spared with the well-padded cushions of the earth," the UN slugged it out on the international scene, the U. S. Navy last week was releasing some remarkable photographs bearing on the interplanetary scene.

Observers of the year 2,000 will perhaps find them more significant than both the 1948 controversies. For the moment, however, they don't rate front page.

Specifically, the Navy has been sending camera-bearing rockets soaring 80 to 70 miles above the earth where they might look down on our planet from a vantage point never before reached by man. From this point the Dewey-Truman campaign trains are invisible; so is the UN.

Photographs made by these rockets (called Aerobees) give man an opportunity to look down and see the earth's curvature more clearly than ever before. Scientists long ago proved the roundness of the earth, but the photographs show New Mexico, the entire Wyoming. The horizon plainly curves. Total distance from edge to edge: 1,400 miles.

That would be the scene Orson Welles' Martians saw if they really had invaded earth above the earth. Earth's colonizers will see that picture in some future year when they set about colonizing the solar system.

And while we're on the subject, it might be well to note that such things may well be possible within the lifetime of many of us. This comes from the men who know the U. S. (United Solar System) best. Here is a note that Time Magazine was saying on the subject last week:

"Man is very likely... to keep fooling around with the atom until he discovers himself as a species in the earth into space. But if man lives long

1,000 of them while children. North Carolina now has about 800 dentists. More than 3,000 would be needed to catch up on back dental needs, and more than 1,500 needed for full maintenance service.

There is no shortage of applicants. This year, more than 100 North Carolina boys applied for entrance at dental colleges outside the state. Less than 25 of them were admitted. Traditionally, North Carolina students have favored Emory University in Atlanta, the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond, and the University of Maryland. But all those schools are now operating on a quota system, giving preference to students from their own states. There is simply no place for a would-be dentist to go.

A North Carolina dental college would solve the problem overnight. It will require years for the college to produce enough new practitioners to bring the demand-supply ratio into balance. But unless such a college is established, the number of dentists in North Carolina is actually likely to decrease in the next ten or fifteen years.

The O'Rourke report on the dental needs and facilities of North Carolina pointed out that the college could be located at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, or at Duke University in Durham, or either case, a similar endowment would be necessary to provide annual operating expenses. The O'Rourke survey favored placing the college at the University of North Carolina, primarily because it would be in accordance with the new four-year-medical colleges.

Dental health and general health are complementary. A state which has decided to spend millions on a progressive medical care program should not hesitate to add a small annual outlay for meeting its great dental needs.

People's Platform

Hamilton C. Jones For Congress

Editors, The News: MR. AND MRS. VOTER of the Tenth Congressional District:

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So our most important vote in this election (over all others) comes in the Senate. Our present Congressman Hamilton C. Jones of Charlotte did a fine job for this district in the last session and will continue to support our district and this state as well as the whole South in the big fight that we know is sure to come in the session of 1949.

Yes, there will be a fight, and you will be speaking and candidates that you have never heard of until now. They will show you that if they are not put into office now, you will be sorry later, and a lot of hocus. They are spending a lot of money right now to get these strangers into office, where Saturday will they spend them? Of course they will. It will be no different.

After reading Saturday's and Sunday's papers this past week, you can see how they, the Republicans, are being misled by each other, and calling one another liars, etc. If they don't trust each other, how do they expect the voters to trust them with an important office?

Regardless of how you vote on the other ballot sheets (four in all), be sure to look at the bottom of your large ballot sheet and vote for the man that you already know and trust. He is the man that you never heard of until the past few months.

As for myself, I will cast my vote for the Congress that will be elected in this party. You too join me at the voting box on Tuesday, November 3, 1948. I am Hamilton C. Jones who lets no man or politician, great or small, lead him around by the nose.

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-W. W. JENNINGS

Wanted To Vote For Dewey

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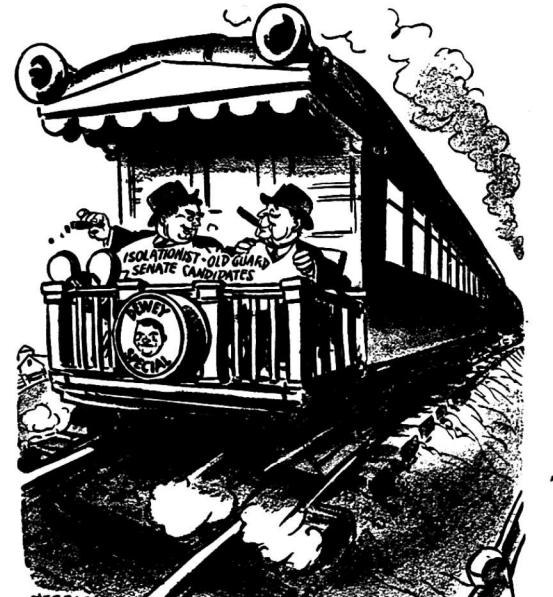
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'I Don't Mind Riding With Him As Far As Washington'

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I hope one of my friends, who has decided not to vote, will get you any more for me and vote the straight Republican ticket as I would have done.

-JOSEPH SELBY.

Invitation To Mr. Burkholder

Editors, The News: FOR many years I have been a subscriber and a news fan, and think it is one of the best evening newspapers in the South. I have from time to time been reading Mr. Burkholder's letters, concerning the New Deal. I have yet to find in any instance where he has proven facts where the New Deal did not work. Mr. Burkholder reminds me of a gentleman I once knew in South Carolina who attended little country Methodist Church. He told me the pastor would never shake hands with him, and if he did not get a little more consideration he would try the Baptists, so the last time I saw this gentleman he told me he was a member of the Church of God.

I was a little surprised when I read of Mr. P. C. B. I have departed from the GOP. While riding my horse I have discussed Mr. Burkholder's flight and I haven't found anyone that is willing to welcome him into the Democratic Party. But there is another party that could use him if he will promise to be a good little boy and promise not to sling any more mud for that matter, you know. So Mr. P. C. B. if you will abide by my rules, you may come over into the States' Rights camp.

-L. L. CHILDERS.

The People's Platform is available to any reader who will send me 10 cents. It should be less than 300 words, typewritten if possible, and on only one side of the paper. It should be clearly written and should contain anything else. Each letter must be signed and dated, in exceptional cases and upon request, the author should hold the writer's name - Editors, The News.

Quote, Unquote

After a couple of months we are contemplating retirement. Raymond Jones now working at the Post office, is looking for a job. He has accepted a job running The News for which we are to pay him \$20 per week. This will leave us ten or fifteen dollars per week to spend any way we see fit. Then we will catch up with our fishing and pool shooting and will be obliged to even hit a lick at the 'ol-Omega Club.

Professor Auguste Piccard, who once ascended 53,000 feet in a balloon, is now planning to descend 2 1/2 miles in the ocean. "We can almost hear the waves asking the professor, 'Is it you're looking for, dear?'" -Roanoke (Va.) Times.

The only thing that keeps us out of debt is the fact that Ellaville is too far away to pick up Atlanta's new television station, now operating, Ellaville (Ga.) Sun.

Surprise In Kansas

A mild-mannered ex-Senator from Kansas is driving a late model Buick and is making a good thing of it. He is making a good thing of it. He is making a good thing of it. He is making a good thing of it.

The ex-Senator is George Magill, one of the few Democrats ever sent to Washington from a state where running for the Senate on the Democratic ticket is considered about as hopeless as running on the Republican ticket in Virginia. This year, while Virginia will probably vote Republican, certain Midwestern states are likely to send Democrats to the Senate.

Magill's race is tougher than most—though not because he is running against ex-Governor Andy Schoepel, whom he defeated once called "the errand boy of the big corporations."

Magill is getting some quiet support from certain

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But that argument is not being made. Or, at any rate, not being made by anyone with sufficient voice to carry it to the nation. The appeal for unity falls on the voters' ears with all the vigorous impact of a feather falling on velvet.

Strange as this may seem at first blush, the reason is not hard to find. It lies in the fact that the Republican voters are going through the South proclaiming the fact that the Southern Democrat and the Republican are one and the same. Brothers in the bonds of compromise and performance.

FOR SOUTHERNERS the Southern consumption, it is aimed at catching the electoral votes of those Southern states which are in the Democratic camp. We find Senator Robert A. Taft, in his campaign speech in Nashville, Tenn., last March, in the following words:

"Today the world has changed. The Truman party favors a change. The Republican Party believes in freedom, and its position is not substantially different from that of most Southern Democrats."

If that is what the Republican scalawag of senators and congressmen will get very excited about saving the Senate for the "Great Old Party," why not let them organize the Senate, with Southern states, as they have done dandy from the Republican point of view.

On the basis of the Taft formula, they would undoubtedly welcome Sen. Kenneth McKellar of Tennessee, who has been a member of the Senate Committee, McKellar is 79 years old. As a leading member of the House of Representatives, he has been prominently on the scene since 1912.

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RUSSIA, by taking completely opposite stands, has now blocked the path of the UN. In the world, the Atomic bomb and the Berlin blockade.

The result is the same. Contradicting himself, Russia has made this much plain to the UN. Secretary of State Marshall said the greatest obstacle to the UN is the "obstructive attitude" of certain nations.

He did mention Russia by name. There's no doubt he has used the word "obstruction" in the UN. The U. S. hasn't used it since.

First, set up UN control, with UN investigators free to go into any country to see that no one was cheating.

After the controls were working, the United States would get rid of the bomb and the UN would be free to keep the world in peace.

Nothing doing, the Russians said. They wanted the U. S. to destroy its bombs before the other nations set up the controls or talked about them.

Now take the case of the Berlin blockade. A group of six nations not mixed up in that dispute suggested in a resolution that the U. S., Britain and France could send supplies in by train to feed the people in Berlin and Germany living there.

Then, said the six nations, as soon as the blockade was under the U. S., Britain and France could begin talking about all their Berlin blockade resolutions to stop Russia from doing so.

Pravda in 1931, when the Soviet Union had accepted membership in the League of Nations, to study the problem of European union, explained that the Soviet Union had done so only in order to wreck the project.

Midwest Merry-Go-Round

FRIENDS of Illinois' handsome Gov. Dwight Green are thanking his lucky star he is running in a Presidential year. Others are saying he would be voted out by 60,000 votes, and this year he has to live down the Centralia mill scandal and his former campaign contributions.

Green's opponent, Adlai Stevenson, is a former U. S. delegate to the UN and a member of the UN. Stevenson is a member of the UN. Stevenson is a member of the UN.

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